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"BROUGHT DOWN IN ESSEX": EXAMINING WRECKAGE OF ONE OF THE TWO ZEPPELINS DISPOSED OF IN THE RAID OF SEPTEMBER 23-24.

As stated in the official reports quoted on the double-page in this number illustrating the same subject, two of the twelve or so Zeppelins which took part in the great air-raid on this country on the night of September 23-24 were brought down in Essex. One fell in flames and was destroyed with its crew. In the case of the other, the crew of

## OUR PROGRESSIVE "BAG" OF ZEPPELINS: ONE OF TWO LARGE AIRSHIPS OF A NEW PATTERN BROUGHT DOWN IN ESSEX.



The rate at which our anti-aircraft defences are disposing of Zeppelins has latterly shown a very satisfactory progression. One was brought down, at Culter, in a previous raid, and in the next one two were similarly disposed of. The above photographs, as well as that on, our frend page, literature the werekage of one of those two Zeppelins, brought down in Elsast dering the great raid on the night of September 19-242. In one of this fields statement, four French said: "Fourthern or fifteen already periodysed in the attack on Occas Habinal fort night."

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BY G. K. CHESTERTON.

It is a recognised gambit in the great art of giving oneself airs not to assert merits, but merely to attempt to explain them. Thus if I say, "I owe my swiftness of foot and my willowy elegance in waltzing more, perhaps, to my great-aunt than to any other human being," it is obvious that any slight praise of myself will slip past unnoticed in my praise of an aged but active relative. Or if I say, "It is to the air of Kensington in early days that I attribute my personal beauty, and not, as some have supposed, to the richer climate of Fleet Street, which has given me so many other graces and accomplishments," all will agree that I am referring to myself in the most airy and distant manner. This method is much in use among the more fatuous persons who consider themselves patriots: it is very much in use among the Germans; and I regret to say that it has been by no means unknown in England, especially before our country stepped off its perch of splendid isolation on to the high platform of the great European equality. Men professed that it was difficult to explain certain superiorities, when it would really have been much more difficult to prove them. Now,

that some Englishmen should talk thus about English claims is at least human and pardonable; but that any Englishman should talk in the same way should about German claims seems to me quite extraordinary. Yet we do find Englishmen talking exactly as the Germans themselves talk, about "attribut-ing" to this or that the astonishing Ger-man intelligence or the overwhelming German triumph. I confess I am content to wait for an explanation of German superiority until I see an evidence of it. The professors of a servile sociology are perpetually saying that it is to her organisation that belligerent Germany owes her success. What success? Prussia was successful in collecting the wea-pons or tools (animate inanimate) for

committing a crime; she was not successful in committing it. With a toppling preponderance in men, she was instantly outmanceuvred by the French. With a toppling preponderance in munitions, she was ultimately outmanceuvred by the Russians. If we are to look for anything really original and arresting in the German scheme we shall not find it in the field of fighting. But we shall find a few curious things, I think, in what she would herself call the field of culture.

One practical discovery that Prussia has really made may be called in the abstract the regimentation of freethought. It may be called in the concrete the capture and control of the wild professor. Most old autocracies, such as those of Austria and Turkey, have been careful to pursue ancient ambitions upon ancient pretexts. It is really a Prussian discovery that the pretexts may vary infinitely so long as the ambition remains the same. If the Turks, for instance, after the Battle of Mohacz had annexed Bohemia, they would probably have appealed to some text in the Koran; they would have said that Allah had given them the lands of the infidel for the glory of the Prophet. And so long as they held Bohemia, they would have held it on that pretext. If Austria set

forth her formal claims to Bohemia, she would say that some accepted Papal arbitration or some venerable diplomatic settlement had long ago recognised Bohemia as her own. She would say so; and, so long as she continued by her own strength to hold Bohemia, she would go on saying so. But if the Prussians claimed Bohemia, they might say anything. They would even be encouraged to say anything—to say the craziest thing that could come into the crankiest head. The arguments will be regarded as all the more cultured if they are culled from the most remote, variegated, and irrelevant sources of literature and legend. One professor might claim that Unser Shakespeare, with his world-beholding soul-vision, had discovered a seacoast of Bohemia, which was so grossly and blindly neglected by the Bohemians themselves that civilisation demanded its surrender to the expanding necessities of the German Navy. Another professor might throw the most learned doubts on the alleged existence of an independent Bohemian language, pointing out that in the authoritative text-book known as Murger's "Vie de Bohème" all the characters are obviously

Now, this conception is very much cleverer than most of the Prussian tricks. Unlike most of them, it does make its appeal to a real truth in human psychology. It really is great fun to build theoretic castles in the air, which are meant to look at and not to live in. It is a temptation to propound a theory which is not so much a thought as a holiday from thinking. As one who passes much of his life in doing his best for certain social doctrines in which he happens seriously to believe, I have often thought of publishing a book of nonsense theories, like a book of nonsense rhymes. It might be called "I Don't Think; or, Theses the Author is Prepared to Maintain but Not to Accept." I once worked out a proof that Shakespeare wrote Bacon which is convincing and even crushing to anyone who cares for these things, but I do not care for these things. I had a demonstration that James II. was in the pay of his nephew William of Orange, and fulfilled his wishes in every particular; it fulfilled my wishes in every particular, except that I did not wish to worry about it at all. I once propounded in conversation a proof that the

speeches of Robert Lowe were privately written for him by Mr. Gladstone-a proof complete in every de tail except the dull detail of truth. Now, just as the German Government is said to use the holiday trips of its subjects for spy ing out foreign lands, it certainly uses what may be called their holiday philoso-phies. As it will pick up something about our piers or tidal conditions even from a German clerk apparently throwing pebbles into the sea at Brighton, as it will try to extract something about our uniforms or police arrangements from a German footman following a diplomatist to a State banquet in the City, so it will seek to use even the stray thoughts of its stray subjects. It will command them to keep a diary of their day-dreams. Its



THE KING AT ALDERSHOT: HIS MAJESTY REVIEWS THE TROOPS.

On Saturday last, King George, attended by Field-Marshal the Viscount French (Commanding-in-Chief Home Forces), General Sir Archibald Hunter (General Officer Commanding-in-Chief Aldershot Command), and Commander Sir Charles Cust, Bt., R.N., and Lieut-Colonel Clive Wigram (Equerries-in-Waiting), inspected troops in the Aldershot Command. His Majesty is seen in our photograph with Field-Marshal Viscount French and General Sir Archibald Hunter, and, to the right is seen the Earl of Derby, standing bareheaded, with some ladies. In the afternoon, H.M. the Queen and the Princess Mary, attended by the Lady Bertha Dawkins, joined the King at Government House.—[Photograph by C.N.]

talking French. A third professor might say that in England many novels and comic papers could be carefully collected and collated, all of which described musical people as being "Bohemian in their habits," and that, if Bohemians are musical, it is obvious that they must be German. A fourth professor might say that in France it is traditional to talk of Gipsies as Bohemians, as in Victor Hugo's novel of "Notre Dame de Paris" (here would follow a forest of little notes of reference, giving the numbers of all the pages or rearragraphs), and that the nomadic problem of the Gipsies was obviously an international problem, in which the world-politics of Germany must have the first word to say. Prussians might say any of these things, or say all of them; there seems to be no limit to the nature of the pretext which the political authorities will welcome as a contribution to the question. The professors may give any reason in the world or out of it for annexing Bohemia, should that be the immediate political project; and there is only one very obvious limitation to their intellectual liberty—they must not give any reason for not annexing Bohemia; and, if one of them should chance to do so, he will quite certainly be ruined, and quite possibly sent to prison.

economy will collect bubbles as well as bullets; and in its factories of roaring sophistry even a good joke can be turned into a bad doctrine.

There is here, I think, a moral for the modern world quite apart from the modern war. It might be called the flexibility of freethought, which in some cases must always mean the corruptibility of freethought. Nonsense which honest men will talk without a wage wicked men will certainly talk for a wage; and it is always possible to bribe a man to invent new crotchets as well as to intone old creeds. The mind should be prepared beforehand not so much to deal with their nature as to assume and ignore their infinite variety. Any number of things can be defended, including a great many that cannot be tolerated. We should abide by the best truth, not because nothing can be said for anything else, but because almost anything can be said for everything else. Every child should be told of the existence of sophists when he is told of the existence of thieves. And, if he were, one good thing would have come out of the wild hour when the German professors made war upon mankind.

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AN OBJECT OF MUCH INTEREST AT THE EXHIBITION OF ZEPPELIN RELICS IN FINSBURY: THE HANGING CAR WHICH WAS SUSPENDED FROM THE AIRSHIP BY A 5000 FT. WIRE CABLE, AND FELL IN THE EASTERN COUNTIES ON SEPTEMBER 3.

The official exhibition of the remains of the Zeppelin brought down at Cuffley, and other air-raid relics, was opened to the public on September 26 at the Hon. Artillery Company's grounds in Finsbury. Public interest in it has, of course, been accentuated by the subsequent raids on London and other districts and the bringing down of two more Zeppelins in Essex. One exhibit which has attracted great attention is that shown in our photograph. The lettering on it reads as follows: "Observation car picked up in East Anglia. Length, 14 ft. Weight, 122 lbs." The car, which fell from a Zeppelin during the raid of

September 2, was found practically intact, and not much adjustment was needed to put it into proper shape for exhibition. It is made of aluminium, and was suspended from the airship by a wire cable, thus enabling the Zeppelin itself to remain hidden at a great height. A winding machine containing 5000 ft. of cable, through which ran a telephone wire for communicating with the Zeppelin, was found with the car. At the fore-end (on the right) are two small side windows, and a large observation-window underneath. The observer enters by a sliding hatch on top. The after-end is fitted with a rudder and elevating-planes.

#### THE HOLY "CARPET" TAKEN TO MECCA UNDER BRITISH PROTECTION: A GREAT MOHAMMEDAN PILGRIMAGE RESUMED.

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The Figinage of the Holy Carpet from Calco to Merca has been resumed after being suspended for the last two years owing to the war. The military secont, it is taid, consists of an unmainly strong body of Raysian troops. The Salma of Egypt profeded it the departure of the Holy Carpet from Calco on September 11, and General Sir Archibald Murray, commanding the Veryor is Engly to a special from Calco or Egyptan policies who the cut of save year face. The absorbed policypasts were some of the preference or the policypasts were some of the preference or the policy of the profession of the first policy of the contract of the Calco of the Ca cover of the Kaaba, and the name 'Carpet' is never applied to it by any but Europeans, who persist in so n'mng it, and what is curious at the same time think that the Mahmal,

which is a count pickequin, really goes to Morca with a crypt finish it, and brings it back to Cales. There is no return of any capyet to Cales. Through who bink they are seenly the Morca with a Cale Carpet's returns we only the Mahmad, counting back, as it went, quite supply. In the Carpet care, and a climby Carpet's persons are explicated in the coverage of the Kacks. . There is not seenly the Mahmad counting the Kacks. . The care is the county of the Carpet is severe every year) and . . . each has a role of cream column of the countries of the Kacks. . The role are were made to the presents when the Mahmad cold are cartain go before the Kackser. . The actions are well as the cartain go before the Kackser. . The Action of the Carpet is the Carpet in the Carpet is the Carpet in Carpet in

## FOR KING AND COUNTRY: OFFICERS ON THE ROLL OF HONOUR.

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## REINFORCEMENTS: BRITISH INFANTRY ON THEIR WAY TO A BATTLE.

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MARCHING IN NARROW COLUMNS, OR IN OPEN ORDER: BRITISH REINFORCEMENTS MOVING TO THE FRONT DURING THE BATTLE OF SEPTEMBER 15.



MOVING IN SMALL PARTIES AT WIDE INTERVALS, TO LESSEN THE EFFECT OF SHELL-FIRE: REINFORCEMENTS GOING TOWARDS MARTINPUICH.



REINFORCEMENTS MOVING UP TOWARDS FLERS: BRITISH TROOPS CROSSING THE FRONT-LINE GERMAN TRENCH CAPTURED ON SEPTEMBER 15.

It is interesting to see in these photographs the way in which reinforcing troops move up to the fighting line during a big engagement. We see them trudging steadily forward, carrying a considerable amount of equipment, including in some cases picks and spades for entrenching work, which has to be done very quickly when new positions are occupied, as the enemy loses no time in turning his guns upon them. It is noticeable also that the men advance at wide intervals and generally in narrow columns or in small groups, so as to minimise the effect of any shell-fire to which

they may be subjected. Of the particular battle to which these photographs relate, Mr. Philip Gibbs writes: "Another day of great remembrance has been given to our history by British troops, September 15, that will not quickly pass out of the memory of our people, for on that day, which was yesterday, our soldiers broke through the enemy's third line of defence, and went out into open country, and gave staggering blows to that German war-machine which for two years (all but two months) seemed unbreakably strong against us."

## HAND-TO-HAND IN "THE DEVIL'S WOOD": BRITISH AND GERMANS AT CLOSE QUARTERS WITH THE BAYONET.

J. SIMONT.



#### FIGHTING IN A PLACE OF TERRIBLE MEMORIES: A BRITISH

Debrille Wood has well earned the nichname of "Devil's Wood" which the British soldier has given to it. Since the great offensive in the West begins it has been the scene of many ferce hand-to-hand encounters, and the soil and trees have been tern and blasted by the shall-fire of both sides. "The phastiseus of the place," writen Mr. Philip Gibbs, "has left its mark upon the minds of many men who are not troubled much by the sights of battle. . . . 'Deril's Wood, I call it,' said one of the officers yesterday, not knowing that

#### BAYONET ATTACK ON THE GERMANS IN DELVILLE WOOD.

that play on words has been made by many other men who went there before him. Those slashed trees, those naked trenches, those smoking shell-holes, and all the charred timber that lies about the blood-stained bundles that once held life, build up a nightmare that men will dream again. In Germany the tale of Delville-Wald, as it is marked on their maps, will

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## PECULIARITIES OF MODERN WARFARE: SCENES OF STRIKING INTEREST DURING THE GREAT BRITISH WESTERN OFFENSIVE.

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MAKING A TRENCH BY JOINING SHELL-CRATERS: NEAR MARTINPUICH ON SEPTEMBER 15.



ON THE BATTLEFIELD BEFORE THE ASSAULT ON SEPTEMBER 15:



AS IT IS BEFORE GOING TO AND AFTER LEAVING THE TRENCHES: GUARDS AT RESPIRATOR-DRILL





AN EARLY MORNING SCENE ON THE WESTERN FRONT.



NEAR THE GERMAN LINES ON SEPTEMBER 15: NEW ZEALANDERS AT HOME IN A SHELL-HOLE.





the present offensive. Particularly interesting are those of the Guards at respirator-drill, and the method of filling an observation-balloon with gas from a "nurse" balloon. We see also first how shell-craters are utilised to form trenches by digging to link them up. In the case of larger ones, they are often fortified and occupied as separate positions. The second photograph shows the picturesque side of a bombardment, rather suggestive of the Aurora Borealis. Describing the scene in the British lines on that eventful morning of September 15, Mr. Philip Gibbs says: "Before the dawn the moon was high and clear in a sky that had hardly any clouds. . . . Presently dawn came, and some low-lying clouds were touched

Zealand men have done great deeds in the recent fighting. "Strong counter-attacks," said an official despatch of September 21, "were made by the enemy continuously during the

#### UNITS OF NEARLY HALF-A-MILLION ENEMY TROOPS

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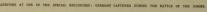




IN THE HANDS OF THE BRITISH: GERMAN PRISONERS COMING IN FROM FLERS.









CATCHING CIGARETTES THROWN TO THEM

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## TAKEN BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPTEMBER 18: PRISONERS.

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FROM THE FIELD AFTER THE BATTLE ON SEPTEMBER 15.









A PAW OF VERY MANY! GERMAN PRISONERS IN ONE OF THE ENCLOSURES, ON SEPTEMBER IS

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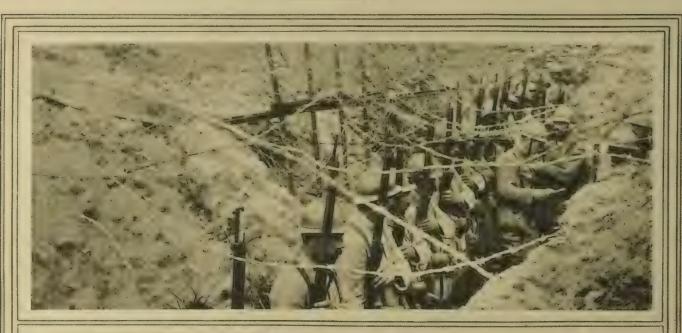
## LIGHTS O' LONDON.

SEARCHLIGHT PRACTICE.

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## A DECORATION IN THE TRENCHES: HONOURING A FRENCH HERO.

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AN INTERESTING CEREMONY IN A FRENCH FIRST-LINE TRENCH: AN OFFICER READING FROM AN ORDER OF THE DAY REGARDING A SOLDIER JUST DECORATED FOR VALOUR.



RECEIVING HIS HONOUR AMONG HIS COMRADES IN THE TRENCHES: A HEROIC FRENCH SOLDIER BEING DECORATED BY AN OFFICER IN THE FRENCH FIRST LINE.

Many photographs of decoration ceremonies in the field have been published from time to time, but such events have usually taken place on open ground some way behind the front. It is unusual, if not unique, to see one showing a soldier receiving his reward of valour actually in the first line of trenches: hence these photographs from the French front possess a peculiar interest. Through the protecting tangle of barbed wire, stretched over the trench, we see the men drawn up along one side, while a French officer pins the decoration on the breast of the gallant soldier who has earned it, and afterwards

reads from an Army Order of the Day a passage relating to his exploit. The whole scene is eloquent of the heroic spirit of the French Army. "That spirit," writes Mr. Laurence Jerrold after a visit to the fighting line, "was from the first a triumphant comfort to those who have always believed in France, and an amazement to those who did not know France. It shone from the first in the dark days. . . It is rewarded now, and fighting France, still indomitable in spirit, knows that it now holds at last the material weapons for irresistible victory."

## PHOTOGRAPHED AT THE MOMENT OF FIRING: A FRENCH HEAVY GUN.

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In connection with the general question of artillery, it is interesting to recall that a recently captured German document, signed by General von Falkenhayn while Chief of the German General Staff, and dated August 24, contained the following statement: "The wastage of guns in the last few months has been considerably in excess of the production. The same is true of ammunition in our reserves, of which there has been a serious diminution. It is the duty of all ranks—not only in the artillery—to endeavour to remedy this serious state of things. All ranks must make the most serious endeavour

to assist in the preservation of material as indicated above, for otherwise the making good of losses and the placing of new formations in the field will be rendered impossible." It is possible, of course, that this document was deliberately allowed by the Germans to fall into British hands, with the idea of "bluffing" the Allies into a sense of security and diminution of their own production of guns and munitions. Be that as it may, no such result will follow, for the Allies are one and all determined to go on increasing their production until final victory is attained.

# SCIENCE AND NATURAL HISTORY . RITES WHICH PRECEDED PROMIECY: DRUIDS OFFERING HUMAN SACRIFICES

SCIENCE JOTTINGS. CONCERNING THE DOBRUDJA.

OUR attention is just now focussed upon that roughly quadrilateral tract, some hundred miles long by sixty broad, which forms that part of Roumania lying between the Danube and the Black Sea. Within this area, known as the Dobrudja, are enclosed some six thousand miles of lagoon, marsh, steppe, and mountain. The steppe area occupies the

central region, and consists of fine grey sand overlying lime-stone, with scarcely a tree or a drop of running water. most important feature of the Dobrudja is the delta of the Danube, an enormous triangular, reed-covered plain, dotted with lakes, which act as feeders to the main arms of the Danube—the Kilia, Sulina, and the St. Georg. The northernmost—the Kilia—is the largest; but strong currents on the one hand, and silt on the other, have made it useless for navigation; and the same is true of the St. Georg arm. But the Sulina, as a consequence of laborious and incessant dredging, has been made an easy and navigable highway. Good roads are few indeed, while the only important railway line is that running from Bucharest to Kustendje. The Dobrudja portion of Kustendje. The Dobrudja portion of this line, built by an English company, crosses the Danube at Tchernavoda, by means of a bridge III miles long, traversing the marshy land to the east

From a military point of view, the Dobrudja means much to the Roumanians. Holding Silistria on the Danube, and the Sulina entrance, Kustendje, and Mangalla on the Black Sea, invasion from this side of her borders is hopeless.

From the naturalist's point of view, the Dobrudja

holds interests of another kind. A few years ago, my friend Mr. R. B. Lodge explored its reedy wastes and swamps, searching for the breeding-grounds of the pelican, and other birds as rarely seen in Great Britain. He, like others have penetrated these wilds on similar quests, found that life did not by any means always run smoothly.

The difficulty of keeping oneself dry in this region is always a very real one; but far more solid discomfort is occasioned by mosquitoes, which here, as in Siberia, swarm in myriads which must be seen to be believed. At Sulina bonfires of reeds are kept burning in the streets during the evening hours, in order that the smoke may afford at least some abatement of the plague. The street-lamps are almost obscured by the hosts

attracted by the light, and handkerchiefs and fans are kept in constant motion. The only form of mosquito-net known to the natives is that made of a coarse kind of cheese-cloth, to use which, on hot nights, is to invite suffocation. Nor is this all. hot nights, is to invite suffocation. Nor is this all. Besides the mosquitoes are great biting flies which draw blood at every stab.

To speak of the "Blue Danube" is apparently but a figure of speech, since its waters are brown with mud held in suspension. But be this as it may, as a source of fish-supply it can have few rivals. Most of the fishing is apparently in the hands of Russians, who

THE NEW BELGIAN ARMY: MOTOR - CYCLISTS ESCORTING ARMOURED CARS THROUGH A TOWN IN FLANDERS.

Photograph by the Photographic Service of the Belgian Army.

use extremely complicated fish-traps made of reeds. Large carp abound; but even more abundant are sturgeon, which are caught in immense numbers and stored in frozen snow. They are caught by buoying large hooks on a chain, against which the great fish

come to scratch their backs and rub themselves, with disastrous results. The dainty sterlet, the Danube salmon, and a huge silvroid fish are taken in the traps or in nets; and, besides, numbers of a fresh-water herring which in flavour is said to surpass its salt-water relation.

The fishermen have decidedly the best of it, for those who must needs keep live stock have to bear severe losses. Horses, sheep, and cattle, on the higher ground, perish in large numbers through drought; while during wet weather hundreds of cattle get bogged in the swamps. In the winter they die of stayration and experience. they die of starvation and exposure. Thus is explained the crowds of vultures which haunt these wilds the year round, for they have a never-failing source of food. The griffon and the great black food. The griton and the great black-vulture both occur here, as also does the smaller Egyptian vulture. As might be supposed, eagles also abound, the lordly imperial eagle and the smaller spotted eagle being the commonest species. Swarms of marsh harriers and pallid harriers quarter the swamps, taking toll of the millions of frogs which live there; while the smaller hawks, like kestrels and hobbies, wax fat on small birds and huge dragon-flies of gorgeous colours.

The delta of the Danube is a veritable paradise for water-birds. The beautiful egrets and purple heron abound, though, like the grebes, they are harassed by the hateful raids of the plume-hunter. The bittern and the

night-heron are no less abundant, though the former, partly from the marvellously protective character of its coloration and partly from its secretive habits, is more frequently heard than habits, is more frequently heard than strange booming notes being unmis-takable. Gulls, terns, seen, its

ducks of many kinds, and the little pygmy cormorant add yet further to the wealth of life which is to be found in this ornitho-logical El Dorado. Beyond the delta, higher up the river, the great white pelican breeds in thousands. The nest-ing-place of this bird my friend Mr. Lodge sought in vain through two seasons. Unfor-tunately, he confined his hunting to the delta, where it apparently also breeds, but sporadically.

Such, in brief, is the Dobrudja, a region which is likely long to remain "unspoilt," for only these forced by military necessity, or lured by the love of bird-life wherever it is to be found—and especially, perhaps, in places inaccessible save to enthusiasts — are likely to venture into these fastnesses.

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THE EFFICIENCY OF THE NEW BELGIAN ARMY: ARMOURED CARS ON THE ROAD.

## A BOMBARDMENT PHOTOGRAPHED FROM AN AEROPLANE: ENEMY TRENCHES MAPPED FROM THE AIR.

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HOW THE COMMAND OF THE AIR ASSISTS OUR ALLIES ON THE WESTERN FRONT: FRENCH SHELLS BURSTING OVER THE ENEMY'S LINES.

A French airman brought back this wonderful photograph of the French shells bursting over the enemy's lines. It shows every ramufication of the German trenches, affording invaluable information both as to the enemy's positions and effects of the French fire. The French air service has established a mastery over the German. Describing its work at an aviation camp on the Comme, Mr. Laurence Jerrold writes, after mentioning the fighting airmen and the infantry scouts: "The third air service is

that which miraculously, as it would have seemed a few years ago, brings to headquarters in a few minutes absolutely faithful photographs of all the enemy's positions. An aeroplane flies out over the enemy's trenches, and maps reproducing the exact plan of the enemy's trenches from the photographs taken are dropped into the French trenches. . . 'Don't the Germans take the same war photographs?' I ask. 'They would if they could, but, you see, we don't let them. L'aviation Boche n'exite plus'''

## THE PHYSICAL TRAINING OF THE MAIMED.

In our grandfathers' time, the sight of a one-legged or one-armed soldier or sailor "broken in the wars," and begging his way from town to town, was too common a sight to evoke surprise. To do our forbears justice, he generally received enough practical nelp to enable him to get along; but the day is past for us to depend on such unforeseeing and casual charity. Let alone the

shame it would be to every one of us, the number of mutilated brave men which this war will leave on our hands seems likely to be a hundred-fold the remnants of the Napoleonic wars, and it is already fairly well recognised that their care is a matter not for individuals, but for the State. Hence, on the lowest grounds of self-interest, the means by which they can best be put in the way of earning or helping to earn their own livelihood is a matter of more or less importance to every tax-payer.

Thanks to the conditions of trench-warfare, a great number of those thus maimed in their country's service have suffered the loss of their right arms. This might seem at first sight certain to incapacitate them for industrial or clerical work; but it is not so. Our gallant Allies the French—among whom the

problem, owing to their far heavier losses, is more insistent than it is with us—have tackled it with characteristic foresight and thoroughness, and have found it not insoluble; while Dr. Tait Mackenzie and others have already pointed out the way to us here. It is only by physical training, gradual and well-thought-out, as all training should be, that the adult who has been deprived of his right arm can be taught to make his left supply the

deficiency. Through the long course of gymnastics designed for this we need not follow the specialists; but there is one point we can all understand, and that is the necessity for teaching a man deprived of his right hand to write with his left. This is not merely a matter of convenience, but the very foundation and rudiments of all "re-education," and exercises the most unexpected influence on its future course. The late Professor Romanes showed some time ago that there was some



ON THE WESTERN FRONT: A BIG BRITISH HOWITZER IN ACTION.

Official Photograph.

connection, till then unsuspected, between speech and right-handedness, the centre of speech in the brain of left-handed persons being situate not in the left hemisphere, but in the lower part of the third frontal circumvolution in the right. Thus what we have to do to give a right-handed man the faculty of using his left hand to replace in some sort the missing member, is to develop or increase the nervous activity of the right side of his brain.

It may, of course, be said to this that speech and writing are two different functions, and that there is not necessarily any connection between the two. The facts, however, are against this view. Dr. Fraenkel has noted many cases of persons with their right hands paralysed who suffered at the same time from aphasia, or speechlessness. On teaching them to write with their left hands they recovered at once their power of speech. Nor is this extraordinary. The centre of writing, according to Broca, is situate

in the same part of the brain as that of speech, even if we cannot sweep them together, as some think, into one common centre of language. Hence everything which produces an increased flow of blood to the writing centre must exercise a stimulus upon the speech centre, and conversely. A confirmation of this may, perhaps, be found in the fact, known to all handwriting experts, that when a person learns to write with his left hand as well as his right the handwriting presents all the peculiarities of his normal or right-hand script.

It follows, therefore, that the first step in the training of a soldier or sailor who has lost his right arm or hand is to persuade him to try to write—or a fortiori to draw—with his remaining hand. By so doing you will put him on the road to cure the impediments to speech which form a fairly

common sequel to amputation, and you will have made a good start with the education which must be his if he is again to become a useful member of the community. Besides this, you will afford him occupation for the spare time which goes so heavily for the convalescent, and will go far to restore to him the self-confidence and hope for the future which will do so much for his recovery. As for the labour involved, Dr. Klesk, a Polish savant who has made many

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experiments on the subject, is of opinion that a person fairly expert with his pen before his wound can learn to write with his left in from three to four weeks

There remains one caution. Mlle. Joteyko, Doctor of the University of Brussels now lecturing at the Collège de France, from whose able collec-

tion of the researches on this most of the above facts are taken, points out that Dr. Herber has shown that excessive use of the left hand makes much greater demands on the heart's action than does that of the right. Where amputation of the right limb has left behind it great weakness of the heart, therefore, no re-education of the left should be attempted without competent medical

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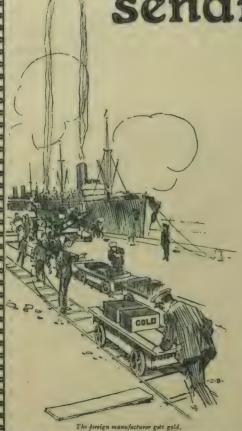
history, and one that is comparatively unfamiliar, is contained in "The Story of Gondwana" (Pitman), in which the Bishop of Nagpur, the Right Rev. Eyre Chatterton, tells briefly and clearly the story of the old Gond kingdoms and their transition to what are now called the Central Provinces. The book includes also the old Gondian legend, or epic, called "The

Story of Lingo," abridged from Sir R. Temple's translation, and a foreword by Sir Benjamin Robertson, Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces. Those who are ignorant of India do not always realise its great variety of scenery. For them, the photographs in Bishop Chatterton's book will dispel any such illusions, and the beauty of the Satpura highlands will come as a revelation. "Moving

up and down its plateaus and plains during the last thirteen years," he writes, " seeing its old fortresses and other monuments of the past, reading isolated bits of its history in Government gazetteers and elsewhere, I have long felt that it would be well if someone would weave together for us these scattered records into something like a connected story." No one would accuse the Bishop of being a weaver of "purple patches": the texture of his description is of a plain and sober hue. But, if he does not wield the pen of romance, he at any rate gives an admirably lucid and readable account of his subject. Very interesting, too, are the sections of the book devoted to the development of British rule in Gondwana, local beliefs and customs, and mission work. In "A Plea for the Old John Company," the Bishop touches briefly on that "strange story, the evolution of a trading com-pany into an empire"; and in the chapter on missions he shows a broad-minded sympathy with the work of other branches of the Church, including the Roman Catholic, the Free Church of Scotland, and the American

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quietly effective; he has a natural eye for fine landscape, and, without ever exciting his readers, warms them with his own enthusiasm. It is, however, of the Island—which everywhere in the West means Vancouver—that he has most to say. Of its cities, the capital, Victoria, evidently holds his chief affections. He describes it as a kind of paradise, with elegant buildings, delightful climate, and the open sea of the Strait of Juan de Fuca where you can bathe in the cold waters of the Fraser, though the mouth of that river is sixty.

of the Fraser, though the mouth of that river is sixty miles off. Vancouver (the city) is Victoria's rival, and different in all its aspects. different in all its aspects. The one enjoys the more modest delights of a comparative Sleepy-Hollow. The other is upstart, aspiring, and successfully advertised. Of it also Captain Galloway is an admirer, but with dis-cretion; and, indeed, the great attraction of his book

advantage, for it sets him wandering from one aspect of his study to another, and, whenever on his long journey a byway seems more inviting than the high road, he goes oit the track. Some of his musings are a little unfortunate. He tells us that the Empress Eugénie never imagined, even in her dreams, that at the age of forty-four and three months she would be compelled to fly from Paris, that her husband would die in three years and her son six years later, and that after 1870 she would live permanently in England. One would imagine from this and similar utterances that it is a royal prerogative to forecast the future. Mr. Legge winds up by saying that "these things, like so many other events in this marvellous woman's history, have come to pass." There is much of interest about M. Pietri, the Empress's secretary, of Rochefort, Cardinal Bonaparte, the Emperor, MM. Filon, Ollivier, and contemporary French statesmen, of Lord Granville, and Louis Lucien Bonaparte, "the Prince who lived at Bayswater." The Prince Imperial figures more in the title than in the book. Prince Imperial figures more in the title than in the book

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illustrated from photographs. There are about a hundred and fifty of these, and they give a remarkably comprehensive idea of the scenery of the country travelled through. They make, so to say, an excellent "film." It is a pity that the author's sketch-map of the same has not been re-drawn, but is reproduced on a scale which leaves its names unreadable by any save the sharpest eyes. In a volume like this, a map is a most useful accessory, especially when, like Captain Galloway, the writer jumps straight into his subject, as if we possessed a good working knowledge of it, which it is always unwise of an author to assume in his readers. How many of Captain Galloway's, for example, knew the whereabouts of the Slocan (accent on the second syllable), or had any notion of how the Cariboo road runs? However, none of his readers but very soon will acquire a great deal of information both solid and entertaining about both, and about much more besides in this country of great deal of information both solid and entertaining about both, and about much more besides in this country of wonderful scenery and conditions of life undergoing quick transformations of fortune. We commend especially two chapters entitled "Bear River" (more properly the Bowron) and "The Peace River" to those who have already some acquaintance with the towns, and wish to go farther afield the author's method as a guide is not sensational, but it is

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#### NEW NOVELS.

"The Park Wall."

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"The defect as well as the quality of Mrs. Elmor Mordaunt's equipment is curiously clear in her last novel, "The Park Wall " (Cassedl). Here, it may at once be said, is some room for congratulations, for her limitations enclose concentrated knowledge of certain experiences of certain characters. Yet she too has her park wall, and so far she has not succeeded in getting right over it into the world on the other side. Her heroine must needs be the victim of a man's cruelty, of his fickle passion; and her principal male character for choice a licentious cad. "The Rose of Youth" looked as if it were to be the point of departure from this convention; but "The Park Wall" eems to indicate that it was no more than a glimpse across the barrier, and that Mrs. Mordaunt prefers the more familiar ground. She does her work as a novelist extremely well, with a quivering sympathy and understanding for the lonely Alice; but so intense is she that her own personality burns through, and the critic perceives, ghost-like through the people of the book, the mind and heart of their creator. The story of "The Park Wall" is bright with colour, beginning with a gipsy encampment—Mrs. Mordaunt, by the way, has confused gipsy folk and circus folk, whose only common feature is caravans—and proceeding to a study of a country house, and the island of Terracine. In these vivid scenes the story of Alice is worked out, the poignant story, of so much more interest than ordinary fiction because of that double apparition of author and characters at the same moment, and the reader's sense of the burning personal interest of the woman who writes in the woman who is written down.

"Bindweed."

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"Bindweed." (Hutchinson) as a first novel and as a fruit of this memorable year is equally remarkable. In the first place, it is a finely balanced, closely reasoned piece of hterary work; and, in the second, it is devoted to the study of the oldest and greatest of earthly conflicts, that yet has nothing to do with our present obsession of war. It is a study of love and passion love, the source of human life and happiness; and passion, the "toad within a stone," for ever poisonous, for ever barren. We understand that Miss Gabriel Vallings, who has written it, belongs to the Kingsley family — and, indeed, some literary inheritance, some family tradition of the novelist's art held seriously and bravely practised, is welcome to explain

e phenomenon of the power and maturity of such a book from a newcomer. The two women who are Gaston Hypolite's angels, white and black, are both singers, and he too is a singer—a tenor of the Paris Opera. His intrigue with Wanda, the beautiful Russian, the Egoss affair, and he emerges from it to the love of Euronie, the young girl who loves him in return. A



ON THE WESTERN FRONT: INDIAN SOLDIERS BRINGING IN ONE OF THEIR OFFICERS Official Photograph.

very simple plot, it will be seen, and old—oh! old as the eternal hills. The old plots are best, because they are made of the material that never grows old. And so we have Eugénie's chastity, and Eugénie's potential mother-hood, pitted against Hypolite's first tarnished vision of their life together; and we have the victory of the higher nature over the lower—or, if you please so to phrase it, of the spirit over the senses. It can be seen that such a theme is not easy to handle. "Bindweed" must have been written with a high intention, for not otherwise could its writer have wished to tell its full story, for fear of that offence to "the little ones" which, in these days of many books, is something no author has the right to overlook.

"Irreconcilables," The title of "Irreconcilables" (Melrose) is well chosen. For, indeed, it needs to be impressed upon the English, the ever-sanguine and sentimental English, that nothing will reconcile the Irish nation. A people which is prosperous as it has never been before, a people a section of which, enjoying the substance of the freedom of the British Empire, rejects it to grasp at the shadow of an Irish Republic thrown by (of all saviours!) the figure of the Prussian—this section no act of ours can hope to appease, unless it be by happy accident. Elizabeth Hart gives us a little light upon the causes of the Irish implacability. Her book, for all its jejune love-stories, its timely accidents and death-beds, is profoundly interesting, and will be read by the thoughtful when many a novel of greater literary merit lies neglected. Those who ask for a window upon the Canacht peasantry, and the Nationalist middle-class, cannot do better than study them from Miss Hart's vantage-point. She has set them "Irreconcilables," The title of "Irreconcilables" (Mel-

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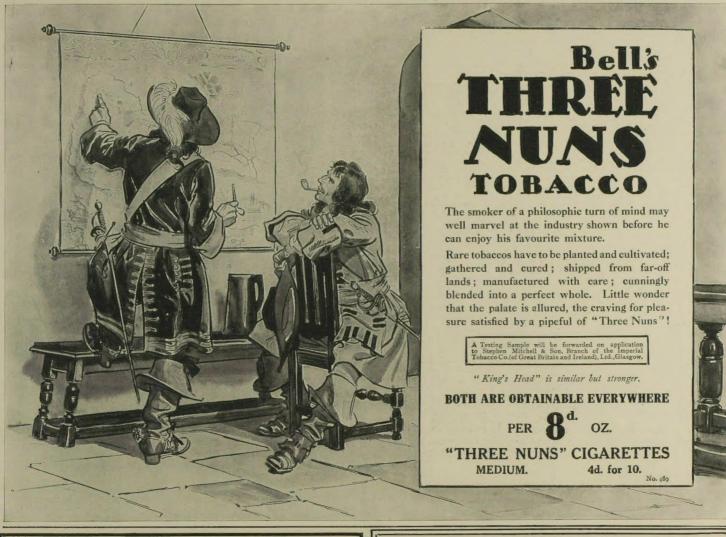
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The Trend of American Design.

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cent. of the total; while there is not a single new model which has a bore of over 5 inches.

cylinder Castings. The monobloc system of casting cylinders has become almost universal in European practice; but the Americans have been, for some reason, rather more conservative, and have generally preferred until quite recently to cast them in pairs. We find now, however, that over 72 per cent. of new Transatlantic cars embody the single-cast cylinder block. It is significant, too, that the V-block manner of casting cylinders, familiarised by the numerous "eights" and "twelves," appears to be falling from favour, since we find that the proportions have fallen from 25 per cent. last year to a little over 19 per cent. in the new types. In six-cylinder designs the fashion of casting the cylinders in pairs appears to be going out in favour of threes, the former having dropped from 9½ per cent. to 2 per cent., while the threes have increased from 3 per cent. to a little over 4 per cent. Not a very startling figure, perhaps, but still indicative of the way in which America is coming into line with the best European practice. Of course, many of the "sixes" favour the block casting, which makes for a shorter

sixes layour the block casting, which makes for a shorter and more rigid motor, but which has the counter-balancing disadvantage of shorter crank-

balancing disadvantage of shorter crans-shaft bearings and greater cost of re-placement in case of accident. It is so seldom, however, that one hears of acci-dent to cylinder castings that the latter consideration is practically negligible.

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logical reason for the retention of yet another electrical machine to do work which the other is to the full capable of performing. This is a point to which the British maker will have to turn very serious attention when the more pressing problems of the war are past, and he once more has to address himself to his legitimate business. Our magnetos were imported almost exclusively from Germany in the pre-war days, and it is by no means certain that even



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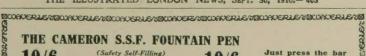
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### THE PLAYHOUSES.

#### "THEODORE AND CO.." AT THE GAIETY.

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It is refreshing to find that the Gaiety's new musical farce is a farce of the genuine sort, with ingenuity in its construction, humour in its ideas, and a pace that is rollicking. A clever team such as this theatre can boast to have in its company can do itself justice when it has got material on which to work. The pranks of Lord Theodore Wragge and his gang of light-hearted sharpers, the flirtations of the volatile Mrs. Sapphire Blissett, and the fun poked at the expense of snobbishness in general, and the musical-comedy stage in particular, make a mixture which exhilarates the performers no less than the audience. Here is no one-man show. At last "G. G." has got a partner who can give him the benefit of contrast. If Mr. George Grossmith has never shown more slickness and urbanity than as that blue-blooded adventurer, Lord Theodore, he has not for some time been blessed with a foil so versatile, so broadly droll, so irresistible of aspect as Mr. Leslie Henson. In him we have the substitute for Edmund Payne—a madeap dancer, a puller of quaint faces, a master of surprises. Then, not to speak of other comedians, such as Mr. Robert Nainby and Mr. Fred Leslie, both well looked after, there is Miss Julia James at the top of her form, as the radiant but naughty heroine; and dainty Miss Peggy Kurton, whose every pose makes a picture; and we are given dancing galore and pretty frocks and bright music.

"THE HAWK." AT THE ROYALTY.

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The technique of the play of Francis de Croisset's which Mr. Knoblock has adapted so cleverly for the Royalty stage is reminiscent of the kind favoured by the older-fashioned French dramatists, as is its theme. Sardou would have liked that theme, though he would not have been so concise as its author in exposition: its gentleman-cardsharper, with the wife who acts as his decoy but wants to leave him for a young lover, would have appealed to his eye for the picturesque, and, as made desperately in love with that wife, would have struck him as a happily found hinge on which to turn a variant of the triangular situation. That "The Hawk" can be so spoken of in terms of its mechanism, indicates its weakness. But it has so many powerful emotional scenes, and so much human nature packed into one or two of them, and its interest is so well sustained, that you are constantly asking what is coming next, and what is mechanical is easily condoned, the more so as its best situations are backed by some splendid acting. The "hawk" himself, who is watched by his rival cheating at cards, is no clumsy stage-villain. The man has got distinction of style. Nor is his attitude towards his wife, when he discovers he has lost her affection, crudely melodramatic. There is a scene in this piece, in which, become a mere wreck through drugtaking because bereft of her, he consents to her plea for a divorce, and then tells her what suffering the lack of her

love has brought him, which is genuinely poignant and natural. Rendered, as it was, in the most touching fashion by Mr. Dennis Eadie, it carried the first-night audience by storm. And equally finished art came from Mlle. Dorziat. As the third party, Mr. Gerald Ames wrestled with a thankless part; Mr. Eric Lewis had far better chances, and made delightful use of them.

### CHESS.

To Correspondents.—Communications for this department should be addressed to the Chess Editor, Milford Lane, Strand, W.C.

O T BLANKINGSHIP (Richmond, Va., U.S.A.).—We shall be pleased to see the game should it realise your hopes. You will, however, have to look at No. 3736 again.

CHARLES WILLING (Philadelphia).—We are greatly obliged, as usual. G PHILLIPS (B.E.F., France).—The information is being sent you. J S Wesley (Exeter).—Your contribution shall have early attention.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 3739.-By A. M. SPARKE.

PROBLEM No. 3742.—By M. L. PENCE.

White to play, and mate in two moves

Correct Solutions of Problem No 3735 received from F J McCarthy (Rangoon) and F J Young (Natal); of No. 3736 from C A M (Penang); of No. 3736 from F W Atchinson (Nottingham) and C Field (Athol, Mass, U.S.A.); of No. 3740 from J Verrall (Rodmell), L Beevers (Wakefield), F J Overton (Sutton Coldfield), H S Brandreth (Southsea), Edith Vicars (Wood Dalling) and J R Jameson (Ferryhill).

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#### CHESS IN AMERICA.

Game played in the New York Metropolitan League Championship Tournament, between the Manhattan and Brooklyn Chess Clubs.

(Two Knights' Defence.)

WHITE

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(Mr. Schroeder.) (Mr. Capablanca.)

1. P to K 4th P to K 4th

2. B to B 4th Kt to Q B 3rd

3. Kt to K 8 3rd Kt to B 3rd

4. Kt to Kt 5th P to Q 4th

5. P takes P Kt to Q R 4th

6. B to K t 5 (ch) P to B 3

7. P takes P P takes P

8. B to K and P to K 8 3rd

9. Kt to K B 3rd P to K 8 3rd

9. Kt to K B 3rd P to K 8 3rd

10. Kt to K 5th Q to B 2nd

11. P to K B 4th

The whole of this is o. Kt to K 5th Q to B 2nd
r. P to K B 4th

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The whole of this is enturely from the books, and is is surprising a player of White's well-known ability should have selected a variation proved to be a win for the second player.

II. P the P (en passant)

B. K to R 3rd

There is no escape, but this is a pretty alternative: 19. Q to B 2nd, kt takes P (ch); 20. K to K sq, Kt to K 5k (ch); 21. K to Q sq, Q to K 8k (ch); 22. R takes Q, Kt to B 7th (mate).

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